

# M 5.5, 38 km E of Nishinoomote, Japan

Origin Time: 2023-08-06 18:12:41 UTC (Mon 03:12:41 local)  
Location: 30.7578° N 131.4022° E Depth: 12.9 km

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## Estimated Fatalities

Green alert for shaking-related fatalities and economic losses. There is a low likelihood of casualties and damage.

## Estimated Economic Losses

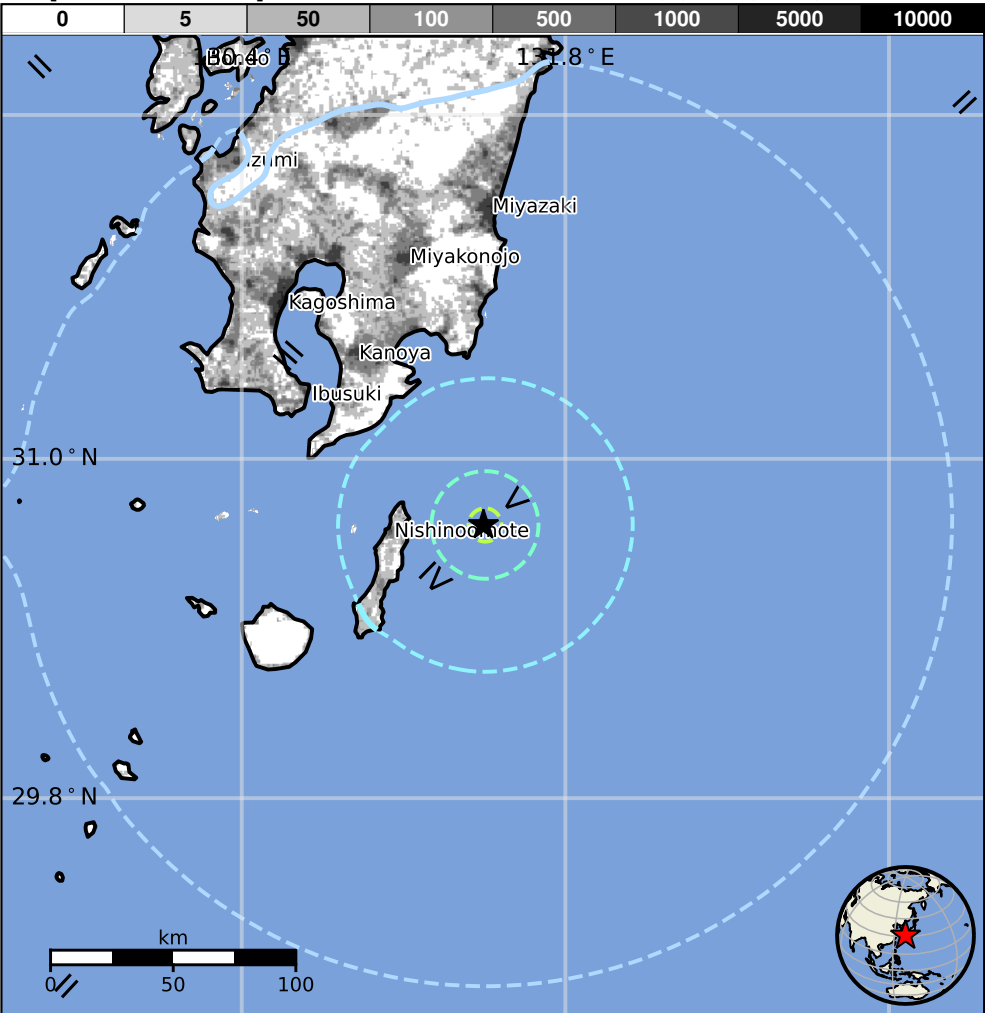


## Estimated Population Exposed to Earthquake Shaking

ESTIMATED POPULATION EXPOSURE (k=x1000)		—*	2,878k	31k	0	0	0	0	0	0
ESTIMATED MODIFIED MERCALLI INTENSITY		I	II-III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X+
PERCEIVED SHAKING		Not felt	Weak	Light	Moderate	Strong	Very Strong	Severe	Violent	Extreme
POTENTIAL DAMAGE	Resistant Structures	None	None	None	V. Light	Light	Moderate	Mod./Heavy	Heavy	V. Heavy
	Vulnerable Structures	None	None	None	Light	Moderate	Mod./Heavy	Heavy	V. Heavy	V. Heavy

\*Estimated exposure only includes population within the map area.

## Population Exposure



## Structures

Overall, the population in this region resides in structures that are resistant to earthquake shaking, though vulnerable structures exist. The predominant vulnerable building types are heavy wood frame and reinforced/confined masonry construction.

## Historical Earthquakes

Date (UTC)	Dist. (km)	Mag.	Max MMI(#)	Shaking Deaths
1987-03-18	148	6.6	VII(593k)	1
2005-03-20	354	6.6	IX(74k)	1
2001-03-24	386	6.8	VIII(5k)	2

Recent earthquakes in this area have caused secondary hazards such as landslides that might have contributed to losses.

## Selected City Exposure

from GeoNames.org

MMI	City	Population
IV	<b>Nishinoomote</b>	<b>18k</b>
III	Kushima	22k
III	Shibushi	18k
III	Koseda	2k
III	<b>Ibusuki</b>	<b>30k</b>
III	Nichinan	44k
III	<b>Kanoya</b>	<b>82k</b>
III	<b>Miyakonojo</b>	<b>131k</b>
III	<b>Kagoshima</b>	<b>555k</b>
III	<b>Miyazaki</b>	<b>311k</b>
II	Honmachi	104k